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He did not respond immediately and so I said that I thought that I had seen that name on a mailbox near Montdale. WSP angrily barked out: "The Matulevich's are over by Factoryville." I, of course, was made to feel stupid, uninformed & ignorant -- I immediately withdrew into my carapace and said not another word. Just about this time, a golfer came in who had been hit by a golf ball & "the principals" all got involved in that -- I gulped down the remaining food on my plate and very quickly made an exit. SRP is a very verbal person who never inflicts his ill humour on others and who always tries his best to be supportive of others' needs, but this nasty - ven / condescension / long-suffering of the Hornetish principals is unbearable. Before exiting, I filled up 8 gallon jar of water at the hose by the cellar door.

6:10 PM - DWP drove into the yard and honked twice: to come by to make sure that I don't over-react to the peculiar scene that took place at luncheon -- I assured him that I had gotten over my anger and that I would probably stop around demain in the afternoon just to make sure that "the principals," so called, don't get bent out of shape -- in effect, what I have to let them know, by my being there demain, is that their selfish, immature, parochial, myopic behavior is OK & that all is well. For DWP's sake, I will. DWP also came by to put fuel in the BBC fire "that was ignited

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to smother by the organ's volume. To that end, DWP came in and handed me the letter that is shown herebelow:

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4:15 PM

Robert -

I have been thinking about the 'organ incident' that took place in the BBC this morning.

A moment ago I put to paper the following 'thought'.

SERMON TOPIC: Why should too much take precedence over not enough.

Those who reach their capacity first call out when they have had enough. There are others who want more than those of 'low capacity'.

Why should 'low capacity' take precedence.

If you can't take the heat get away from the fire, and let those of us who like the heat enjoy what we want, what we need.

Why should the 'higher capacity' have to accommodate ourselves to the limits of the 'lower capacity'.

IT IS NOT A DEMOCRACY when the 'low capacity' get their way just because they speak up first.

7 Virtues, 7 Vices

During the Renaissance the world lived according to the Theological Virtues (Faith, Hope, and Charity), and the Cardinal Virtues (Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence, Justice), not according to the Seven Vices (pride, covetousness, lust, anger, gluttony, envy, sloth).

This situation violates the Cardinal Virtue of Justice!

I would not let this incident go unmentioned. If I had been there I would on a later occasion stand up in the middle of a Sunday 11 AM service and voice my opinion. Since I was not there, I can only encourage you to act quickly and strongly.

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When DWP came in at 6:10 PM, I was listening to the tape of Kiri Te Kanawa - Strauss' Four Last Songs and orchestral songs; Andrew Davis / LSO -- that DWP made for me a casset, at my request. I gave him the record as a present <sup>some time ago</sup> and asked that he make me a tape. Such incredibly beautiful songs, surtrock "Beim Schlafengehen," "Am Abendstern," "Morgen" and "Requiem" -- and Te Kanawa has the most crystalline / pure voice imaginable & yet at the same time the baroque depth, color & thrilling diction. DWP and I listened to a few songs ensemble -- the volume turned way up. We then talked about

SRP's response to the congregation's  
heavily withdrawn, if you please, in  
given in the Bulletin of 06-30-1985 --  
"A Thought for the Summer" -- p. 06-30-1985-p.1